

## NEW COMPLAINTS ABOUT TATTERED SCHOOL BOOKS

Parents Indignant Because  
Children Are Given Germ  
Laden Supplies.

EXCUSES MADE FOR IT.

Appropriation Too Small and  
Increase of Pupils Rea-  
sons Offered.

The question of dilapidated and tattered school books handed out to pupils by the Board of Education has arisen again, and some parents are asking why their children should be forced to study from books that are in fragments, shreds of paper, covered with the grime of much usage and probably containing all kinds of germs.

There was brought to the office of The Evening World yesterday three books which looked as if they had been blown many miles by a cyclone. They had been given to a pupil in the Commercial High School Annex, at Walcott and Van Brunt streets.

Of these a Lockwood & Emerson's "Composition and Rhetoric" was minus a back. The detached leaves of Scott's "Ivanhoe" made it look as if it had been through one of the battles its author depicted so well. The "Practical Business Arithmetic" was in such a shape that it would take an expert accountant to put the leaves in order and account for those that were missing.

"Why," asked the parent, "should such books as these be given to my boy?"

NOT ENOUGH MONEY TO BUY BOOKS, ONE EXCUSE.

Thereupon inquiry was made, with the aid of answers coming from the office of the Board of Education in charge of the supplies and from school principals who give the books directly to the pupils. For the Board of Education it was said that an appropriation of so much per capita was allowed for supplies and could not be exceeded. It was also declared that boys particularly were careless of their use of city property. They made bludgeons of bunches of books, stamped them on the pavements or on the iron railings along their way, threw them about generally in such a way that none but cast iron covers and leaves of tin could stand the strain.

The principals seen admitted that this year they were forced to give out at the beginning of the term books that otherwise would not be placed in boys' hands because of the great number of pupils. These old books, it was said, were being replaced as fresh supplies came from the Board of Education. It was generally admitted, however, that there had been a tendency to economize this year on the part of the School Board, and that a little more money spent on new books would not be amiss.

MORE PUPILS THAN BOOKS, ANOTHER EXPLANATION.

As for the torn books to which attention had been called, William E. Dorett, who looks after that part of Brooklyn's pride that goes to the Commercial High Annex, said:

"The overflow from a main school was so great at the opening of the term that we had to give out temporarily books that otherwise would never have been placed in use. These have been taken up as soon as new supplies have been received. The life of a school book is indeterminate. It all depends on the boy. Perhaps if parents had to buy the books their children might be more careful of the way they use them. The principals try to keep their supply freshened up, for they do not like to give a soiled and frayed book to a new boy any more than he likes to receive it."

AS TO SCHOOLBOYS BEING HELD UP ON WAY HOME.

The attention of Mr. Dorett was called to a paragraph in the Commercial High periodical, which the boys issue, complaining of conditions in the district where the Annex is situated. The paragraph said:

"It is to be regretted that the Annex is situated in an undesirable neighborhood. The Annex students are likely at any time to be 'held up.' But around the school everything is orderly. The school building itself is one of the best in the city."

"That exaggerates the conditions," said Mr. Dorett. "The neighborhood is orderly enough. The two boys held up were making a short cut through a district far removed from the school, which is not the best in the city. But around the school everything is orderly. The school building itself is one of the best in the city."

FALL IN HOLD KILLS MAN.

Another Fractures Skull by Tumble as He Unloads Goods.

Two men engaged in handling heavy merchandise fell at their work today. One was instantly killed and the other will probably die of a fractured skull. Samuel Hoffman, a thirty-two years old, of No. 16 Forsyth street, loading the steamship 21 Sud at the Morgan line pier at the foot of Bank street, fell into the hold and was instantly killed. John Scanlon, sixty-three years old, of No. 27 Rector street, a driver for Thomas Mulry & Son of No. 433 West Twenty-first street, was unloading goods at No. 46 Tenth avenue and lost his footing, falling on his head. Dr. Walsh of St. Vincent's Hospital, who had been called to attend Hoffman, was called in Scanlon's case. The man was removed to the hospital.

## Samples of Shabby Text-Books Used in the New York Schools



## HERMIT HEIRS HALT MOVE IN WILL PLOT

Agree to Postpone Inquiry Into  
Competency of Rich  
Mr. Haslett.

The hearing of the motion of the heirs of Samuel E. Haslett, the "millionaire hermit" of Remsen street, Brooklyn, to have him declared incompetent to take care of himself and his wealth was set over to-day when the case was called before Judge Fawcett in the Kings County Court. A postponement until next Monday was agreed upon by the various counsel.

John B. Lord of No. 128 Montague street, who has a new power of attorney to represent Mr. Haslett, and who instituted proceedings charging conspiracy against former Senator Frank J. Gardner and George H. Decker, a nurse, said when the case came up that he had not yet received a complete report from the alienists he had engaged to examine Mr. Haslett. Also there were some other matters which he desired to clear up.

S. Stanwood Menken, representing the heirs making the motion to have their rich old relative placed in the hands of a commission, agreed to the delay.

The examination into the Gardner conspiracy charges is also set for Monday, so that it is likely that the civil proceedings will be further delayed.

Mikado Receives American.

TOKIO, Feb. 22.—Lieutenant-Commander Lyman Atkinson Cotten of the United States Navy, now attached to the American Embassy at Tokio, was today received in audience by the Emperor.



contains all the strength-building properties of choicest oats—easily digested. We cook it two hours in the mill—you cook it twenty minutes. Reduces breakfast work and worry 83.1-3%. Saves you money by cutting down your fuel bill. Millions of people enjoy H-O oatmeal every morning.

## IRISH DOG, TIDE TIME, WINS ENGLISH DERBY.

Greyhound Despised in the Betting  
Carries Off the Waterloo Cup  
—Adversary Second.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—The Waterloo Cup, known as the dog's Derby, was contested at Aintree, Lancashire, to-day and won by J. W. Fullerton's Tide Time, who defeated Adversary in the final. Both Tide Time and Adversary are greyhound puppies whose smart performances during the three days' courseing have been the feature of the meeting. The betting against both of them on the night of the draw was 1,000 to 1, but although they were so little fancied they disposed of all the favorites in the early heats.

Tide Time is a black dog puppy bred at Shelburne, in Ireland.

The Waterloo Cup is an annual courseing contest in which sixty-four greyhounds participate for a stake of £25 each, to which the Earl of Sefton, president of the British National Coursing Club, adds a cup of the value of \$500.

TROOPS WOUND MANY  
IN LISBON STREETS.

LISBON, Feb. 22.—Scores were wounded to-day in a street clash between republican troops and several hundred monarchists. Cheering for ex-King Manuel and hooting the republic, the monarchists started to parade through the principal streets. The police dashed into the procession and attempted to arrest the leaders, but were overwhelmed by force of numbers and badly beaten.

Mounted soldiers were despatched to the scene and charged the throng, but were driven back by heavy revolver fire. It was not until a battalion of infantry went to the troops' rescue and sent a fusillade of bullets into the crowd that the demonstration was suppressed. Among those injured were three men who have been most active in the alleged conspiracy to restore King Manuel to the throne.

## FOUND PASSENGER UNCONSCIOUS ON BROOKLYN L TRACK

Cook Says Guard Pushed Him  
Off and He Was Dragged  
Four Blocks.

William Cook, twenty-eight years old, of No. 123 Fifty-seventh street, Bay Ridge, clinging with his clothing caught to a gate of a Bay Ridge elevated train for four blocks early to-day, according to his story and that of a policeman who found him unconscious on the tracks.

Policeman Sheridan of the Fourth avenue station was at Fifty-eighth street and Third avenue when a man ran down and told him a passenger was being dragged away on a Manhattan-bound train. Sheridan got a lantern, went upstairs and walked along the runway until he found Cook at Fifty-fourth street.

He carried him back to the station. He says Cook declared he was trying to get aboard the train, when the guard

pushed him off and his coat caught in the gate as it was slammed. He said the guard walked inside and left him hanging there. He clung to the gate until his hold broke after the train had run four blocks. His clothing gave way and he fell to the tracks, narrowly missing the third rail.

It was found by a Norwegian Hospital ambulance surgeon that he had fractured ankle and a scalp wound. He was taken home. The B. R. T. employees say that somebody on the Fifty-eighth street platform had a fight and pushed Cook to the tracks, and that he was not dragged at all by a train and was found at the Fifty-eighth street station and not at Fifty-fourth street.

## DOCKERS' STRIKE IS ENDED.

Cable Announces Close of Strike at Glasgow, Releasing Ships.

Settlement of the dockers' strike at Glasgow, which has had up shipping there for the last five weeks, is announced in a cablegram received to-day by the Anchor Line from their representatives at the Scotch port. The cablegram reads:

"Labor strike over. Work has been resumed and service will go on as heretofore."

Four vessels of the line, the Columbia, the California, Caledonia and Cameronia, plying between Glasgow and this city, Montreal, Halifax, and Portland, Me., and Boston, have been tied up at Glasgow because of the strike. The California, due to sail to-morrow, will be the first ship out of the port for weeks, officials of the line here declared. Ships of the Allan and Donaldson lines also have been rendered inactive by the strike.

## Stop! Think!

The rush and roar of deadly  
modern life is everywhere.

Your nerves are weak  
and worn, they are  
overtaxed, strained  
to the breaking point.

Strengthen them,  
build them, vitalize  
them with a Food-  
Tonic.



TRADE-MARK

James McCreery & Co.

23rd Street 34th Street  
On Saturday, February the 24th.

## HABERDASHERY DEP'TS. In Both Stores

450 dozen Shirts, made of Scotch Madras and Mercerized Materials. Soft, plain and plaited bosoms. Various sleeve lengths. 1.45 values 2.00, 2.50 and 3.00

Austrian Terry Bath Robes.....3.50 value 5.00

Raincoats,—English models, made of Gray Mixed Tweed or single and double Tan Texture Cloths. 12.00 values 18.00 and 20.00

## BOYS' CLOTHING DEP'TS. In Both Stores

Spring showing of Boys' and Young Men's Suits, also Boys' Furnishings and Hats.

Jacket Suits, Knickerbocker trousers. Made of Cheviot, Serge and Worsted. Norfolk Model, size 8 to 14 years; Double Breasted Model, size 8 to 16 years. 5.00, 6.25, 7.50 to 12.00

Young Men's Suits of Cheviot, Worsted and Serge. Size 35 to 38 chest. 15.50 to 22.50

Boys' Combination Suits,—jacket and two pairs of trousers. Made of Mixed Cheviot. Size 8 to 16 years. 5.50 value 6.50

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## POLICEMAN RUN OVER.

Policeman Heats, thirty-five, of the Macdonough street station, who lives at No. 625 Seventy-fourth street, Brooklyn, was knocked down early to-day at Broome and Sullivan streets by a runaway horse belonging to M. Schroeder of No. 99 Thompson street, and driven by Thomas Edwards.

The horse bolted while Edwards was out of the wagon. He was dragged ten feet when he tried to stop the animal, then fell, and both wheels passed over his feet. He was taken to St. Vincent's Hospital.



Be A Wise Woman

James McCreery & Co.

23rd Street 34th Street

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## JUNIORS' SUIT DEP'TS. In Both Stores.

Unusual Values in Dresses and Raincoats.

Juniors' Dresses of Marquisette or Batiste, lace trimmed. Sizes 14 and 16 years. 11.00

Juniors' Tan Rainproof Coats. Full length model. Sizes 14 and 16 years. 6.75

Girls' Wash Dresses of Gingham, Lawn and Chambray. White and colors. Sizes 6 to 14 years. 3.75

## MISSSES' SUIT DEP'TS. In Both Stores.

Spring Suits of Whipcord and Serge, new short cutaway coat, lined with peau de cygne. Sizes 14 and 16 years. 27.50

White Lingerie and Cotton Voile Dresses, lace and embroidery trimmed. Sizes 14 and 16 years. 14.50

## TOILET GOODS. In Both Stores.

Sale of specially priced Toilet Articles.

French Tooth Brushes.....10c and 15c values 15c and 35c

Nail Brushes, wood or bone handles...35c value 50c

Bath Brushes, with or without detachable handles. 65c value 1.00

Hair Brushes, assorted wood backs....50c and 2.00 value 1.00 to 2.00

Imported Ideal Hair Brushes.....40c value 60c

Cretonne Toilet Cases.....35c and 50c values 50c and 75c

Rubber Gloves, guaranteed. Assorted sizes. 50c pair value 70c

Rubber Water Bags, red or white, guaranteed. 2 quart size. 75c value 1.00

Toilet Soaps, assorted odors.....box 3 cakes, 15c and 20c values 25c and 40c

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Store Open Evenings  
Until 9—Saturdays 10.30  
For Your Convenience

## LAST 2 DAYS OF MY \$600,000 Sale

To-Day and Saturday.

I EXPECT to do the clothing business of the Town here these last two days of the most unique Sale that New York ever heard of. With \$600,000 to raise in 30 days, I went at prices with hammer and tongs, in all my five stores, and I'm going to get away with it. Of course the loss I'm taking is something awful; but I have the cash instead of the stock and I'm happy. Think of buying Merchant Tailor's uncalled-for garments and GEORGES Custom-built MODEL CLOTHES at the following prices. But the important thing is this—the Sale ends Saturday night at 10.30.

## Suits & Overcoats

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| \$12.50 | Now | \$9.50  |
| \$15.00 | Now | \$12.50 |
| \$16.50 | Now | \$14.50 |
| \$18.00 | Now | \$17.50 |
| \$20.00 | Now | \$19.50 |
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| \$28.00 | Now | \$29.50 |
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| \$37.50 | Now | \$29.50 |
| \$40.00 | Now | \$29.50 |
| \$42.50 | Now | \$29.50 |
| \$45.00 | Now | \$29.50 |
| \$47.50 | Now | \$29.50 |
| \$50.00 | Now | \$29.50 |
| \$52.50 | Now | \$29.50 |
| \$55.00 | Now | \$29.50 |

Alterations FREE

On all Auto. Fur and Fur coats, I can save you over 50%

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